Afghans to indulge in terrorist activities in Jammu and Kashmir and to boost the sagging morale of militants in the State.

Sustained pressure and vigil is being maintained on the Line of Control/border, and in the interior, to check infiltration/exfiltration of terrorists, including foreign nationals, and curb their activities in the State.

Smuggling of cattle to Bangladesh

220. DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:
SHRI TRILOKI NATH CHATURVEDI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Governmen are aware of the large scale smuggling of cattle to Bangladesh; if so, what is the estimated number of cattle involved each year; and

(b) whether Government are aware that the smuggling of cows and buffaloes is destroying the agricultural back of West Bengal and if so, what steps are being taken to stop the menace?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. M. SAYEED): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. 37, 360 and 12,407 heads of cattle have been seized by the Border Security Forces in 1993 and 1994 (upto June) respectively. Several measures, including intensification of patrolling, erection of O. P. Towers, construction of roads and fence in the border areas, supply of binoculars, twin telescopes, search lights etc. for greater survillance on the border and gearing up of intelligence machinery, have been taken to curb the incidence of smuggling.

Extradition agreement

221. DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:
SHRI T.N. CHATURVEDI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the progress made for the repatriation of the main absconding accused in the bomb blasts in Bombay; and

(b) the names of the countries the accused have taken shelter and extradition proceedings have been initiated together with the names of the countries with which India has extradition agreements and what steps are being taken to have such agreements where these are not existing?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) and (b) A Tracking team headed by a DIG has been constituted in the CBI to apprehend the absconding accused. The team is making extensive enquiries and carrying out checks to ascertain the whereabout of the absconders to apprehend them. Reward totalling Rs. 1,38,50,000/- have been announced for obtaining credible information leading to the arrest of the absconders. The rewards have been given wide publicity. A total of 193 accused persons have been identified for their involvement in the serial